

MISSOURI'S STORK IS BUSY

Last Year There Were Nearly
30,000 More Births Than
Deaths

Jefferson City, March 8.—Dr. Frank Hiller, secretary of the state board of health, gave out a statement today of the births and deaths in Missouri in 1911. There were 73,858 births and 43,390 deaths for the period stated. The ratio of deaths for the entire state, based on the government census for 1910, was 22.42 per cent and the death rate 13.17 per cent.

January claimed the greatest number of deaths, 4,807, and September the least, 3,029.

Tuberculosis claimed the greatest number of victims, 5,035 more than 11 per cent. Pneumonia comes second with a record of 4,521, or more than 10 per cent. More than 23 per cent of the deaths last July were children under 2 years of age. Dunklin County has the highest birth rate, above 40 per cent, and Buchanan County the lowest, a little more than 16 per cent. Dunklin County also has the highest death rate, more than 23 per cent, and Worth County has the lowest death rate, a little less than 5 per cent.

This is the first report ever made in the state covering the vital and mortuary statistics.

You can say goodbye to constipation with a clear conscience if you use Chamberlain's Tablets. Many have been permanently cured by their use. For sale by A. H. Cox & Co.

TRIES TWICE TO DIE

Greenfield, Mo., March 8.—James Patterson, 40 years old, attempted to end his life by hanging when he failed in an attempt to burn the Dade county jail here yesterday. He was found unconscious swinging at the end of a rope made from blankets in his cell. Under medical treatment he recovered consciousness during the evening, but threatened to end his life before morning. He will be taken to Nevada at once. His home is at Dadeville, from which place he was removed to the county jail because of strange actions, Wednesday.

Newton County Licenses.

Charles Spragin	Seneca
Daisy Harrington	Seneca
D. L. Austin	Joplin
Ava Justice	Joplin
Herman Miller	Morrisonville, Ill.
Ella Johnson	Neosho
Fred Ball	Joplin
Nettie L. Milam	Joplin
Sam C. Curtice	Neosho
Edie J. Edwards	Neosho
R. H. Bailey	Fairview
Annie Cleverger	Purdy
Charles Mitchell	Prior, Okla.
Mattie B. Pickett	Pineville
Arthur Crumbliss	Goodman
Theo Lansaw	Goodman
J. B. Ferrie	Goodman
Mrs. E. E. Bailey	Goodman

MIXED ON TOWNS

Friday night a lady alighted from passenger train No. 13 and securing a cab started out to find the friends she had come from Indiana to visit. The cab driver failed to find the parties after driving for some time and began to question the lady. It was discovered that she thought she was in Sapulpa and the vehicle was hustled back to the depot, where on a search through her shopping bag she found her ticket and proceeded on No. 9 to her destination, having wasted, as she thought, a couple of hours in Monett.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends for their kindness and sympathy in the death of our wife, daughter and sister, also for the beautiful floral offerings, and especially the Trainmen, Elks and Eastern Star.

B. H. YOAKUM,
DR. W. W. RODMAN
AND FAMILY.

GOVERNOR COLQUITT DEMANDS TROOPS

Two Troops of Cavalry Sent to
the Rio Grande

Washington, March 8.—The unexpected demand of Governor Colquitt of Texas that the United States forces put an end to the invasion of Texas soil by Mexicans, today added a fresh aggravation to the already vexed Mexican situation.

Governor Colquitt asserts that the bend of the Rio Grande is overrun with Mexicans, who, whether they be termed marauders or banditti, constitute a menace to the safety of Americans which neither the regular nor the insurgent forces in Mexico are making any effort to check.

The information supplied by Governor Colquitt makes it plain that unless the army of the United States promptly drives these guerillas back across the border, serious consequences to Americans are inevitable.

On receipt of the governor's message two troops of cavalry were immediately ordered from San Antonio to the troubled district, with orders to disarm the marauding Mexicans or send them back across the line.

Many sufferers from rheumatism have been surprised and delighted with the prompt relief afforded by applying Chamberlain's Liniment. Not one case of rheumatism in ten requires any internal treatment whatever. This liniment is for sale by A. H. Cox & Co.

BIG RADIUM FIELD FOUND IN OZARKS

Rogers, Ark., March 8.—True to the prediction made ten years ago by Thomas E. Edison, radium has been discovered in large quantities in the Ozark Mountains near the Missouri-Arkansas boundary. Logan Lieb, president of the Farmers' Union of Benton County and a geologist of reputation, made the discovery.

John P. Nagle, New York capitalist, has purchased 800 acres of the radium land in Benton County, along the Missouri border. Entrance was gained through the great cavern and already thousands of tons of ore containing radio-activity have been blocked out.

Uncle Ezra Says

"It don't take more'n a gill uv effort to git folks into a peck of trouble" and a little neglect of constipation, biliousness, indigestion or other liver derangement will do the same. If ailing, take Dr. King's New Life Pills for quick results. Easy, safe, sure and only 25 cents at A. H. Cox & Co.

C. R. GRAY WILL NOT BE ADVANCED NOW

Portland, Ore., March 8.—"It is the intention of Louis W. Hill to give personal attention to the development of Oregon through the Oregon and Western Colonization company, of which he secured control recently," said Carl R. Gray, formerly of St. Louis, president of the North Bank railway and Hill lines in Oregon, upon his return today from St. Paul and Chicago, where he conferred with the heads of various Hill roads.

"It is apparent that he has no intention of resigning the presidency of the Great Northern soon. So long as he remains in that position it would be some what inconvenient for me to succeed him, however much my friends may insist that I am slated for that office."

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has won its great reputation and extensive sale by its remarkable cures of coughs, colds and croup. It can be depended upon. Try it. Sold by A. H. Cox & Co.

FROWSY IS WILLING

"Well," mused Frowsy Freddie, as he stretched himself and left the park bench, "I haven't had a drink today, but my hat's in the ring."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Mrs. W. A. Payne and children have arrived from Durand, Mich., to make their home at this place

WELL MERITED RECOGNITION

H. H. Davies and Ed Calvin have each been granted annual passes on the Frisco in recognition of long continued service. It is a custom of the railroad to give an annual pass to employees who have been in continuous service with the company for twenty years and a pass for the employee and his wife after twenty-five years of continuous service. Mr. Davies is car inspector and Mr. Calvin air inspector in the Frisco yards.

ENTERTAINED

Mrs. Leo Leckie entertained the choir of the M. E. Church and a few friends Friday evening complimentary to her guests Miss Grace Mahin and Miss Vida Rudy, of Neosho.

An impromptu musical program was given and the evening was further enjoyed by playing Progressive Rook. All spent a delightful evening.

Those attending were Messrs. and Mesdames O. W. Bruton, Grover Powers, R. M. Callaway and P. C. Callaway; Mesdames O. R. White, Laura Leckie and Fred Fesler; Rev. C. Senneff, Wesley Bradford; Misses Grace Mahin, Vida Rudy, Ruth Bradford, Griswold, Geneva and Alice Parsons and Hazel Leckie.

Children are much more likely to contract the contagious diseases when they have colds. Whooping cough, diphtheria, scarlet fever and consumption are diseases that are often contracted when the child has a cold. That is why all medical authorities say beware of colds. For the quick cure of colds you will find nothing better than a Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by A. H. Cox & Co.

PEIRCE CITY NEWS

From The Leader
Will Lowe, of Monett, spent Friday here with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Williams visited in Monett Tuesday.

Mrs. Fred Albert Sr., visited her daughters in Monett Monday.

Mrs. Crane and daughter expect to move to Monett about March 15th.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ring, of Monett, attended the Rebekah meeting here Thursday night.

Miss Margaret Kennedy opened her school south of town again Monday after a weeks vacation caused by the heavy fall of snow.

Mr. and Mrs. John Boyne and family, of Monett attended the funeral of Pat Burns in our city Wednesday.

DIED

Mrs. Burney Yoakum died at the Springfield Hospital on Wednesday evening, March 6, at 8:30 o'clock after a lingering illness of several months.

Mrs. Yoakum was the second daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Rodman of this city. She lived the greater part of her life in this place, where she grew to womanhood and was one of Peirce City's most well known and accomplished young ladies, numbering her friends by her acquaintances.

Some years ago she married Burney Yoakum, a railroader, and moved to Monett where she has made her home the past few years.

The body was brought to this city Thursday evening accompanied by her husband, father and sister, Bessie, all of whom were present when death occurred. Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Congregational Church conducted by Rev. McMullen.—Peirce City Leader.

The wife of J. W. Welch, a Frisco engineer, who runs on the Southeastern Limited from Springfield to Thayer, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Edna, have gone to Tucson, Ariz., where they will remain for three months.—Springfield Leader.

August Dieterich is quite ill this week.

DEATH OF MRS. CRAMER

Mrs. Eva Cramer died at her home in the west part of this city last Saturday night, after a short illness of pneumonia.

Mrs. Cramer was the wife of A. Cramer, our monument dealer, and was well known in the town as a lady with many good qualities. She was especially prominent in local lodge circles, being a working member of both the Rebekahs and Woodmen Circle, in both of which she will be greatly missed. She leaves besides her husband, two brothers and her mother, Mrs. Rachel Hill, of Charlotte, Mich., where she was born.

Mr. and Mrs. Cramer came to Peirce City May 1st 1902, and they have made many warm friends who deeply sympathize with Mr. Cramer in the loss of his companion.

Funeral services were held at the home Monday afternoon conducted by Rev. Castel, interment was made in the city cemetery.—Peirce City Leader.

What We Never Forget

According to science, are the things associated with our early home life, such as Bucklen's Arnica Salve, that mother or grandmother used to cure our burns, boils, scalds, sores, skin eruptions, cuts, sprains or bruises. Forty years of cures prove its merit. Unrivaled for piles, corns or cold sores. Only 25 cents at A. H. Cox & Co.

MORE WAGES AND FEWER EMPLOYEES

A return made by the bureau of railway statistics at Washington shows that for the year ending June 30, 1911, notwithstanding an increase of 2,108 miles in the railway mileage operated there were fewer employees on the payrolls than on June 30, 1910, by 31,037. Yet the total compensation paid to employees during 1911 was greater than that paid during 1910 by \$49,976,216. This is greater than the increase in the gross earnings of the railways by \$22,595,121.—New York Journal of Commerce.

Mrs. Win Taylor's sister, of Rich Hill visited here last week on her way to her new home in Fayetteville, Ark.

FOR SALE:—A few pure bred barred Plymouth Rock cockerels. Price \$1.00 each. w3tp Mrs. L. P. WITHERS.

D. H. Kemp and Claud Bowers went to Sherman, Tex., Monday morning where the case of Bowers against the Frisco for damages for the loss of an arm is on for trial.

The charge of beating and burning his wife in the justice court at Monett against Harrison Crawford, was dismissed last Friday by Prosecutor Talbert as a result of a compromise reached by the parents of Mr. and Mrs. Crawford. It was charged that Crawford beat his wife and then burned her with a hot stove cap lifter. He paid all costs. Mrs. Crawford is a daughter of Morris Bayless residing northwest of town.—Cassville Democrat.

TAKEN AT HER WORD.



Evelyn—Really, George, I'm shocked to hear you confess such behavior in your business dealings. You should always "do unto others as you would have others do unto you."

George—You wouldn't have me do that always?

Evelyn—Certainly, always.

George (kissing her)—All right. Here goes!

BANDIT 17 YEARS OLD CONFESSES TO CRIMES

Harl Kelley Says He Committed
Numerous Bold Burglaries
Here

Joplin, March 12.—Harl Kelley, 17 years old, yesterday made one of the most remarkable confessions of crime in the history of the county. The confession was made to Chief of Police J. H. Myers and Assistant Chief Ed Portley in the chief's office in the city hall.

It is a remarkable record of crime for a 17 year old boy, one probably not equaled in the country for one of his age. Young Kelley went into details and told of a large number of houses that he had helped to rob, and how he had taken the stuff to Galena, Kan., and sold it at a "fix it" shop. He admitted stealing large quantities of silverware, clothing and other valuable articles and some money.

Kelley told of the robberies that the officers thought he was implicated in and a number of others. He did not mention the fact that he had escaped from the reform school and various other misdeeds of a serious character. His confession implicates a number of other boys in the robberies. Kelley did not attempt to evade the issue in any of his crimes after he started on his remarkable narrative of robberies; he told it all frankly and with apparent truthfulness.

CLARK "DAWG" BUTTONS OUT

Washington, March 9.—Champ Clark buttons as big as dinner plates and bearing the picture of a dejected hound surrounded by the admonition, "You've got to quit kickin' my dawg around," appeared on the floor of the House today, worn by several members. Representative Booher of Missouri was almost concealed behind one of them. The minority leader, Mr. Mann, approached him and inquired:

"What in heaven's name is this thing?"

"Why, it means that I'm for the speaker for President," replied Mr. Booher.

"Oh," Mr. Mann said dryly, "I supposed you were a candidate for dog catcher."

Mutual friends effected a reconciliation later in the afternoon.

ARKANSAS BANK CASHIER INDICTED

Fort Smith, Ark., March 11.—E. D. Martin, cashier of the defunct Central Bank and Trust Company, was indicted today by the grand jury on the charge of receiving deposits when the bank was in an insolvent condition. Martin formerly lived in Kansas City and Oklahoma City. The bank here was organized last fall by men connected with the defunct American Union Trust Company of Kansas City. Martin has been in jail since his arrest in December.

IOWA COUNTIES INSTRUCT FOR VOTE FOR TAFT

Des Moines, Ia., March 11.—Twenty-four of the 39 counties in Iowa that have held Republican conventions have decided upon solid Taft delegations to the state convention at Cedar Rapids April 24.

Eight counties have named Cummins delegations, and one, Page county, elected delegates instructed for Roosevelt. Two others have sprinkled Roosevelt men in their delegations, while four counties failed to instruct their delegates.

THEY ELIMINAE EACH OTHER

Mr. Roosevelt says that Mr. Taft ought not to be president again and Mr. Taft thinks that Mr. Roosevelt ought not to be president again, and the democrats believe that they are both right in this respect and will try to prevent either's re-election.—The Commoner.

OUR LOCAL GRIST

Harry Osborn was in Peirce City on business, Friday.

Ed Murray, of Neosho, visited in Monett Sunday.

Chas. Rauch went to Springfield Saturday.

Harrison Yeakum returned to his home in Enid, Okla., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Johnson visited in Purdy Sunday.

F. P. Sizer went to Springfield Monday morning to look after legal matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Baity, of Springfield visited in Monett Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Knapp are the parents of a son born Saturday, March 9.

Jack Taylor, of Springfield, was in Monett on business, Saturday.

Fireman Leonard Cordell has returned from Ft. Smith, Ark., and has a run out of this place.

Josephine Shryock returned to her home in Peirce City Sunday after a visit with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Ragain, of Purdy, came Monday to attend T. J. Rowden's funeral.

Mrs. J. Moore and daughter Miss Ella visited relatives in Peirce City, Sunday.

Mrs. T. F. Ezell and Mrs. Barney Bush went to Springfield Monday.

Mrs. M. G. Harris, and son Floyd, of Eureka Springs, Ark., are visiting friends in Monett.

J. E. Harvey is able to sit up a little and expects to return home from the Frisco hospital in a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Rowden arrived Monday morning from Ellensburg, Wash., called by the death of Mr. Rowden's father.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Hudson, of Cassville, visited in Monett over Sunday. Mr. Hudson returned home Monday morning.

Mrs. Earl Connor of Peirce City, has returned to her home after a visit with Mrs. F. C. Williams.

J. E. O'Brien and family departed Sunday morning for Los Angeles, Calif., where they expect to remain for some time.

Mrs. J. H. Wormington and Miss Mabel returned home Sunday night from a visit in Cassville.

Dr. A. F. Rogers, V. S., is located at Purdy. Phone to Bob Dummit's barn, Purdy, Mo.

DR. A. F. ROGERS, V. S.

Mrs. P. Mulrenin went to Springfield Saturday to visit her husband who is at the Frisco hospital.

Chas. Frear, who has been attending court at Hugo, Ok., came home Saturday to remain over Sunday.

Mrs. A. Folger, from near Exeter, came up Saturday to visit her sons Fred and Ras and their families.

Mrs. Rolla Keithly and daughter came up from Rogers, Ark., Saturday to spend a day or two with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Ethel Fisher of Parsons, Kan., and Miss Myrtle McKinney, of Sarcoxie, have returned to their homes. They were called here by the death of their grandmother, Mrs. Julia McKinney.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Wheeler went to Carthage Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Wheeler's youngest sister who died at Maplewood.

Miss Emma Lux entertained a few friends Wednesday evening. Her guests were Will Birkenbach, Edgar Kaiser, Frank Birkenbach, Misses Agnes Koenig, Laura Lore, Mary and Minnie Birkenbach and Cora Mayes. All report a good time.

The Peirce City Leader announces that on February 1st it became the property of a company known as the Leader Printing Co., and that in the future it will espouse the Republican cause. This gives Peirce City two Republican papers and the Democrats are left out in the cold.